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Minutes

Board of Adjustment Meeting

May 20, 2021

As Acting Chair of the Board of Adjustment of the Town of Strafford, Ashley Rowe opened the meeting by stating that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

The Chair then summarized the following announcements: There is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this hearing, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. The Board is utilizing Google Meet for this electronic hearing. In accordance with the Emergency Order, I (the Chair) am confirming that we (the Board of Adjustment) are:

- a) providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means. We are using the Google Meet platform for this public meeting. All members of the Planning Board are able to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing +1 513-666-0228 using the assigned meeting code or by clicking on the website address: meet.google.com/yaa-nzbc-ttc
- b) providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing this meeting. We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing this meeting, including how to access the meeting via Google Meet or telephonically. Instructions were posted on the website of the Town of Strafford at www.strafford.nh.gov. The application documents discussed tonight were made available to the public at the Town of Strafford Land Use Office.
- c) providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with public access: If anybody has a problem they were directed to call or email eevans.strafford.nh@gmail.com.
- d) adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting: In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:02 PM by taking roll call attendance. Lynn Sweet, Terry Hyland, Aaron Leff and Jean Ewen and Alison Brisson, Alternate members, were present. Noting that one regular member was absent, the Chairman designated Jean Ewen as a voting member for this evening. Natalie Moles and Jen Cyszcz from the Strafford Regional Planning Commission were also present.

The Chairman announced that an email has been received from Nathan Gagne, the applicant for Case Number #427 (115 Back Canaan Road, Tax Map 4, Lot 95-2). Mr. Gagne is requesting a continuation to the next regular meeting in order to complete wetlands mapping. On the current schedule, the regular June meeting would fall on Thursday, June 17th. Noting the request, Lynn Sweet moved to continue the application forward to the June 17th regular meeting. Terry Hyland seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the Chairman called the vote. The vote went as follows: Lynn Sweet—aye, Terry Hyland—aye, Aaron Leff—aye, Jean Ewen—aye, Ashley Rowe—aye. Discussion is postponed to the June 17th meeting.

The Chairman then announced that a letter has been received from the applicants for the Wilcox case, Case Number #426 (Lake Shore Drive, Tax Map 35, Lot 4), requesting a continuation to the July 2021 meeting. The Chairman said that he thinks that the Board should continue the application forward to the June meeting; the meeting can then be continued forward from June to July. Noting the request, Lynn Sweet moved to continue the application forward to the June 17th regular meeting. Aaron Leff seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the Chairman called the vote. The vote went as follows: Lynn Sweet—aye, Terry Hyland—aye, Aaron Leff—aye, Jean Ewen—aye, Ashley Rowe—aye. Discussion is postponed to the June 17th meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 7PM at the Strafford Town Hall. The Chairman announced an application deadline of May 25, 2021 for the June meeting.

Lynn Sweet made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM. Alison Brisson seconded the motion, there was no further discussion, and the vote went as follows: Lynn Sweet—aye, Terry Hyland—aye, Alison Brisson—aye, and Ashley Rowe—aye. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned.

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